

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 435 – HB 641

March 4, 2017

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Requires that an application for the position of museum director of the Tennessee State Museum, materials submitted with an application, letters of recommendation or references concerning an applicant, and any other records or information relating to or arising out of the process of searching for and selecting an individual for the position of museum director, be treated as confidential. Such confidentiality requirement shall not apply to information relating to a candidate who did not expressly request that such candidate's information be kept confidential.

Requires a search committee select candidates as finalists for the position of museum director no later than 15 calendar days before the final vote of the Douglas Henry State Museum Commission to appoint or elect a person to fill the position. Any such record relating to the candidates selected as finalists shall not be confidential and shall be open for public inspection, except for a record otherwise confidential under state or federal law. Authorizes any meetings or portions of meetings devoted to discussing confidential information, as established by this bill, to be conducted in secret.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (004447): Adds language to the original bill which requires the search committee to publicly announce finalists after they have been selected.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- The Douglas Henry State Museum Commission is the governing authority of the Tennessee State Museum.
- Requiring that certain information relating to the search for a museum director for the Tennessee State Museum be kept confidential will have no significant impact upon the Douglas Henry State Museum Commission or the Tennessee State Museum.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Krista M. Lee". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

/jdb